

1 ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

2 A sole assembly for an orbital sander includes a sole plate and a bearing.
3 The sole plate has a top, a bottom, two opposite ends and an integral bearing seat.
4 The bearing seat is integrally formed on and protrudes from the top and has a top,
5 a top opening and a bottom recess. The top opening is defined through the top of
6 the bearing seat. The bottom recess defined co-axially with the top opening
7 through the bottom of the sole plate. The bearing is mounted and held securely in
8 the bottom recess to hold an eccentric shaft. Therefore, the sole assembly has a
9 minimum number of parts, which reduces assembly time and lowers
10 manufacturing costs.